MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Is not the applicant for a loan bound to furnish security to the value of double the amount he has applied for?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): And, do the Government consider that the ordinary ryot in Travancore, who is in most cases heavily indebted, will be in a position to furnish good security to the value of Rs. 500 even?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): There was a proposal to reduce the minimum to Rs. 250.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*). May I know when that will be brought into effect?

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Soon.

Establishment of Municipal toll-gates in Changanachery.

243. MR. JOSEPH KUNJU (*Changanachery* cum *Peermade*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any applications from the Changanachery Municipality requesting sanction to establish a Municipal toll-gate each on the Vazhur road and the M. C. road within the municipal limits of Changanachery; and

(*b*) if so, the decision arrived at by them in the matter?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The question is awaiting the decision of the general question of maintenance of roads within municipal limits, now pending before Government.

Administration of the Kottayam Municipality.

244. MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have received any representations in 1106 and 1107 complaining of serious irregularities in the administration of the Kottayam Municipality;

(*b*) the names and representative character of the persons who submitted such complaints; and

(*c*) whether they called for an explanation from the President of the Kottayam Municipality and whether he has submitted any, and, if so, whether they will lay it on the table?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) (i) Mr. Abraham John, Municipal Councillor, Kottayam;

(ii) Mr. C. N. Sankara Panikkar, Municipal Councillor, Kottayam;

(iii) Mr. K. N. Sankunni Pillai, B. A., B. L., Municipal Councillor, Kottayam; and

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[Mr. P. Visvanatha Aiyar.]

(iv) Mr. Maliakal Chandi Kurien and 3 others, rate-payers of Kottayam.

(*c*) Reports were called for from the Municipal President on the first two representations, and the reports were received. The reports are confidential and cannot be laid on the table.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): With regard to part (*b*), what action has the Government taken on the representations made by Mr. K. N. Sankunni Pillai, B. A., B. L., Municipal Councillor, Kottayam and Mr. Maliakal Chandi Kurien and three others, rate-payers of Kottayam?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It has been stated in the printed answers; reports were called for from the Municipal President, Kottayam.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): The answer only says that reports have been called for with regard to the *first* two representations. I am now asking with reference to the *last* two representations.

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Reports were called for in regard to them also.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): So, the answer given in the printed answers is not correct?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The last two have been *alluded* to; *specific* reports on them were not called for.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): My question was whether Government had taken any action with regard to the last two representations.

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): As the allegations made in them were the same as those in the first two, it was not considered necessary to call for reports specifically on them.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Was any enquiry made with regard to the last two representations?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): The Dewan made enquiries regarding the complaints.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): What is the result of the enquiry?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): It was found that there was no necessity to take any action against the President of the Kottayam Municipality.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Were the allegations substantiated?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): Was any evidence taken?

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MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): No. It was not a formal enquiry that was made by the Dewan.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*): May I know whether, in view of the specific allegations made by such a large number of responsible representatives of the people, the Government will order an enquiry?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Government do not think it necessary. The Dewan went there and made the necessary enquiries informally. Government consider that no action is necessary; and the matter has been duly communicated to the representatives of the people.

Execution of a decree against Mr. Taylor, Band Director.

245 MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware —

(*a*) that one Mariamma Swariamma has, in O. S. No. 22 of 1092 in the Additional Munsiff's Court, Trivandrum, obtained a decree for damages for Rs. 400 against Mr. Taylor, Band Director, Nayar Brigade, for causing grievous hurt to the plaintiff by a fracture of a thigh bone;

(*b*) that the decree holder tried to realise the said decree amount by attachment of a portion of the judgment debtor's pay, by issuing a warrant against him and by attachment of the moveable property belonging to him;

(*c*) that the Commandant, Nayar Brigade, wrote a letter on the 1st Karkatakam 1100 to the Dewan that the judgment debtor's pay was not attachable and copy thereof was forwarded to the Munsiff;

(*d*) whether the Munsiff wrote on the 17th Karkatakam 1100 to the Commandant that Mr. Taylor had put in a petition consenting to the attachment of his pay;

(*e*) whether the Government called for the remarks of the High Court and the High Court on the 11th Chingom 1101 called for the explanation of the Munsiff;

(*f*) whether, on the 6th Meenam 1105 and the 21st Makaram 1106, the Commandant, Nayar Brigade, wrote to the Munsiff that no warrant would be allowed to be executed against Mr. Taylor;

(*g*) that, when steps were taken for the attachment of Mr. Taylor's moveables, Mr. Taylor did not permit the *Amin* to effect the attachment;

(*h*) that the Munsiff wrote to the Commandant also regarding the same and that the latter refused help in the matter;

(*i*) that the Munsiff on the 20th Meenam 1103 wrote to the Registrar, High Court, placing the whole matter before the High Court and seeking advice as to the further procedure;

(*j*) whether the High Court has taken any action on the above letter of the Munsiff;

(*k*) whether the Commandant wrote to the plaintiff on the 10th July 1931 in reply to her notice that neither the person, property nor the pay of Mr. Taylor could be proceeded against;

(*l*) whether the Commandant addressed the Government also regarding the same;

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